

DEATH OF FORMER MAYOR OF RALEIGH

William M. Russ Dies at His Home—First Woman's Suffrage Act Passed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Raleigh, N. C., March 22.—The people of Raleigh were shocked this morning by the death of William M. Russ, Mayor of Raleigh for several terms, and clerk of the Superior Court for twelve years. His death occurred shortly after midnight, at his home on Mount Street, the physicians pronouncing the immediate cause of his death dilation of the heart of the brain.

Mr. Russ was a native of Wake county, fifty-four years of age, and leaves a widow and four children. He retired from the clerkship of the Superior Court last December, having failed in the Democratic nomination in the primary campaign that probably ever occurred in the State. He was conceded to be easily the most generally liked man in Raleigh.

What is believed to be the first woman's suffrage act North Carolina has had was enacted by the recent Legislature in a special act for Wrightsville Beach, the famous seaside resort, near Wilmington. This is an act that provides for a vote on issuing sewerage bonds, and it provides that women who own property on the beach shall be allowed to vote; also that every corporation interested shall have one vote, in addition to the votes of any individual owners.

The Atlas Manufacturing Company, of Bessemer City, was chartered to-day with \$100,000 capital, for a general cotton manufacturing and textile business, the incorporators being C. J. Huss, A. A. McLean and J. J. Ormond. Other charters are to the Brown-Summet Telephone Company, capital \$10,000, for maintaining a farmers' telephone exchange for that territory, incorporators J. C. Hardie and others, and the Prigden-Jones Company, Durham, capital \$5,000, by J. D. Prigden, T. J. Jones and others, for a mercantile business.

MASSIE AND MYERS MAY OPPOSE STRODE

Several Political Announcements Expected Within Near Future—Mayor of Amherst Resigns.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Amherst, Va., March 22.—The political fight in Amherst this summer promises to be one of unusual interest, and many candidates for various offices are already in the field. White Bland Massie has not yet made formal announcement of his candidacy for the State Senate against Aubrey E. Strode. It is thought that he will do so at an early date. It is said that Dr. H. S. Myers, former member of the House of Delegates, will also probably be a candidate for election to the Senate.

Deputy Clerk E. B. McGinnis, C. J. Campbell and C. L. Scott have announced their candidacy for the office of county treasurer. Other candidates for this position will be A. D. Watts, former deputy treasurer, and C. G. Massie.

At a meeting of the Town Council held Tuesday night, Mayor L. Scott tendered his resignation, and G. W. Dearborn was elected Mayor of Amherst by the Council.

LYNCHBURG MAY ADOPT SEGREGATION ORDINANCE

Measure, Modeled After One Offered in Richmond, Will Be Soon Considered.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Lynchburg, Va., March 22.—At the meeting of the Common Council, John P. Pettigrew, of the First Ward delegation, will introduce an ordinance, the object of which will be to secure for white and colored people, respectively, the separate location for residences for each race. The proposition

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ISLANDERS IN REVOLT

Whites in Esperito Santo Said to Be in Danger.

Sydney, N. S. W., March 22.—News received here from the New Hebrides says that the natives of the Island of Esperito Santo have risen against the whites. Esperito Santo is the largest and westernmost of the New Hebrides. There are not many white inhabitants. The islands are administered by a joint commission of French and British naval officers.

It is reported that assistance has already been sent the threatened people.

SPORTING WRITER DIES

Memphis, Tenn., March 22.—Harrington E. Jones, widely known as a sporting writer and in theatrical circles, died here to-day after an illness of several weeks, the result of a nervous breakdown. Mr. Jones was forty-three years old.

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IN BEHALF OF ARMENIANS

President Taft Urged to Use His Influence With Russia.

Sacramento, Cal., March 22.—The upper house of the California Legislature has adopted a resolution petitioning President Taft and the Speaker of the House of Representatives to use their influence to end religious persecutions of Armenians in Russia.

The Russian government has frequently tolerated riot, pillage, and murder of men, women and children by reason of their religious beliefs, says the resolution.

"We hereby express our abhorrence of the treatment accorded the Armenians and the outrages and murder of innocent men, women and children who have sinned only because of their adherence to the faith of their fathers."

STOLYPIN MAY REMAIN PREMIER

Said That Emperor Has Induced Him to Retain His Office.

St. Petersburg, March 22.—The ministerial situation took a turn to-day in favor of M. Stolypin remaining Premier. Although M. Kokovsov has been appointed to the premiership, the appointment has not been officially announced. The Emperor dined last evening at the house of Mme. Vyshkovskaya, daughter of Secretary of State Tatischev, who is also grand master of the court. After the dinner the Grand Duchess Olga Alexandrovna told those assembled that the Emperor had succeeded in persuading M. Stolypin to remain in office.

In response to inquiries to night, M. Stolypin declared that the situation was without change. He said that he had received no direct or indirect offers or proposals from His Majesty since his resignation. The Nationalistic press is strongly urging M. Stolypin to reconsider his determination to retire.

WANTS COMMISSION

North Carolinian Writes to "Reliable Justice of Peace."

With his own name written over the original address, "The Reliable Justice of the Peace, Richmond, Va.," Squire J. A. Purdie yesterday came into possession of a plaintive appeal from L. S. Davis, manager of the Union Clothing Company, of Charlotte, N. C. Mr. Davis wants little, but he wants that little very much. It is a matter of \$1, which he claims some colored woman, now in Richmond, who relies under several aliases, owes him as commission for selling her furniture. He begs that the "Reliable Justice of the Peace" see the woman and "kick her out properly. If he can't get all the money, he is to get as much as he can. If he can't get it by gentle suasion, then he is to fight her out of it. Whatever else, he is to get the money, and of course, there will be a little remuneration for his services."

Squire Purdie laughed when he read the letter. He reread it and laughed again. That is about as far as he will go in collecting the bill. He doesn't know who wrote his name over the original address, but he thought there was no mistake when the communication fell into his hands, as he is considered to be a "reliable justice of the peace."

Jumps and Breaks Leg.

Clinton Talbott, of 1414 Mark Street, South Richmond, jumped from a platform while playing with some other boys at midday yesterday and fell, breaking his right leg. The city ambulance was summoned and Dr. Harshbarger set the broken bone and then took the boy home.

UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR SCHOOL BONDS

Progressive Town of Victoria to Erect Modern Structure.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Kenbridge, Va., March 22.—A special election was held in the town of Victoria to-day to decide the question of issuing bonds to erect a modern High School building. The amount of the issue voted on was \$5,000, and the vote was unanimous in favor of issuing bonds.

Victoria is a little more than three years old, and it has a population at present of 120, including 300 children of school age. A few energetic citizens seeing the inadequate facilities for High School work set about to raise money to erect a building second to none in this or adjoining counties, with the result as stated above.

Work on the new building will commence at once in order to have it ready for the beginning of the session in September.

Y. M. C. A. OFFICERS ELECTED.

Danville Association in Good Shape—Diamond Ring Recovered.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Danville, Va., March 22.—At the annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. of the city, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, H. L. Boatwright; First Vice-President, V. B. Hill; Second Vice-President, A. M. Southall; Recording Secretary, J. T. Catlin, Jr.; Treasurer, J. T. Catlin, Jr.; A. F. Patten and E. T. Lewis.

The association, which is only three years old, is in a flourishing condition, and has a membership of more than 600.

Tom Pendleton, a farmer of the county, had his wagon shed destroyed by fire last night, having his corn cobs, wagons, harness and farming implements destroyed. He managed to save a stable and horses and mules. A fellow farmer, who had his live stock in the stable, succeeded in rescuing them.

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VIRGINIA WOMAN FIGURES IN COURT

Irene Osgood, Authoress, Sued by Husband for Horse, Pigs and Cat.

London, March 22.—After hearing both stories in detail, the presiding judge decided that the defendant must return to her husband one horse, six pigs and one cat and the manuscripts of plays and stories in dispute, or pay him \$216. The defendant promptly entered an appeal from the judgment.

This was the climax to an amusing trial to all but the parties. A suit was brought in the county court at Northampton by the English author, Robert Abernethy, against his wife, the American authoress, Irene Osgood, who was formerly Mrs. Charles Pigott Harvey, nee De Belot, a native of Virginia.

A suit for separation brought by the wife is pending, and the husband, in the present action, alleges that the defendant purloined the above mentioned property, all he possessed, and left him stranded. Sheard, describing his life at Gullsbrough Hall, in Northampton, which is the property of his wife, referred to the home as my "Calvary." He had been treated like a dog, he declared, and thrice thrown out of the place.

"I am Irene Osgood," he shouted dramatically. "I wrote everything that she is supposed to have written in the last five years." He swore that Irene had given him \$500 to be used in procuring a divorce from his wife so that he could marry her.

Mrs. Sheard, who is the author of "A Nun Confessed" and "Servitude," and possesses an income of between \$50,000 and \$60,000 a year, entered the witness box and described how she met Sheard at Cannes, France. He was practically without funds, and she gave him, she said, \$500 with which to buy clothes. She did not know at the time that he had been

CAUGHT WAITING TO SLAY RICH MAN

Would-Be Assassin Talks Ramblingly of Conspiracy to Kill Him.

New York, March 22.—An attempt on the life of Henry N. Corwith, president of the American Knitting Mills Company, and a director in many other companies, was frustrated to-day by the police, who had been forewarned by Mr. Corwith's employee, Alfred Price, formerly in Mr. Corwith's employ, was arrested after flourishing a loaded revolver. He made rambling statements of a conspiracy to kill him, and when he was searched there was found, in addition to the revolver, a long dagger in one of his pockets.

Mr. Corwith notified the police last night that Price had threatened his life. Detectives were assigned to the case, and followed Mr. Corwith when he left his house in Riverside Drive this morning. At the first corner he pointed out Price, waiting.

Flourishes Revolver.

"Do you know Mr. Corwith?" asked one of the detectives.

"Sure I do," said Price. "When I worked for him nine years ago at Saratoga he formed a conspiracy to put arsenic in my food. My body bears the marks of it yet. Between you and me, I am going to kill him with this," and he flourished the revolver. The detectives closed in on him and disarmed him.

As Mr. Corwith drew near, Price looked at him and said, quietly: "They've got me now, but when I'm out I'll give it to you, sure."

"I would have killed him as sure as there is a God in heaven, and if I had known you were detectives I would have given it to you first. The gun was loaded, and I could have killed several men with it."

Examination as to Sanity.

Price said he bought the revolver in a pawnshop. He was committed to Bellevue Hospital for an examination as to his sanity.

Mr. Corwith said he had employed the man for three weeks as a cookman six years ago; that he had never seen him at the time alluded to by the prisoner, and that he had never been at Saratoga.

CHARGED WITH THEFT

Leading Citizen of Tampa Is Under Arrest.

Tampa, Fla., March 22.—W. R. Fuller, one of the city's leading wholesale dealers, and former president of the Board of Trade and of the Board of Public Works, has been arrested on two informations, charging him with embezzling funds from the Tampa Fuel Company, of which he is president. In one of the informations he is charged with embezzling \$13,000 and in another \$5,000.

Virgil H. Lanier, secretary-treasurer of the company, is under arrest, charged with aiding and abetting in the embezzlement, of which he is president. Mr. Fuller and Mr. Lanier have been furnished by prominent citizens. The case has been set for April 15. Fuller contends that he is the victim of persecution and that the charges arise from a misunderstanding with some of the stockholders of the Tampa Fuel Company, one of the largest of which is C. W. Hendley, of Baltimore. The throwing into bankruptcy of W. R. Fuller & Co., recently, was a heavy blow to the business career of Fuller, who, besides other enterprises, formerly headed a line of steamers.

VALUABLE RECORDS BURNED

Loss in Courtroom Fire Nearly \$1,000,000.

Leavenworth, Kan., March 22.—The Leavenworth county courthouse burned to the ground early to-day. Valuable records and documents were destroyed, bringing the loss up to nearly a million dollars.

The fire originated in the second story, presumably among books and papers placed there while the building was being renovated.

DEPARTS FOR BOSTON

Battleship Delaware Leaves Chile, Having Performed Its Mission.

Valparaiso, Chile, March 22.—The United States battleship Delaware, which brought the body of Anibal Cruz, the Chilean minister at Washington, back to Chile, has sailed for Boston. Salutes were exchanged with the forts.

During their stay here the officers and crew of the Delaware were entertained in an unprecedented manner. Free trains were run daily to Santiago for the benefit of the sailors. The widow of the minister visited the Delaware and personally expressed her thanks for the great kindness of the American government.

CARS GO DOWN EMBANKMENT

Night Express Train Wrecked in Massachusetts.

Clinton, Mass., March 22.—The night express train on the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division of the Boston and Maine Railroad was wrecked early to-day two and a half miles west of Clinton. All the cars left the rails and the express car, day coach and combination mail and smoking car rolled down the embankment.

The Pullman, which contained seventeen of the twenty passengers on the train, did not go into the ditch. One passenger, J. J. Hennigan, of Worcester, and the baggage-master of the train sustained minor injuries, because of the wreck has not been determined.

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